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AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 50; Title 56 and Title 71, relative to TennCare.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 71, Chapter 5, Part 1, is amended by adding the following as a new section:

71-5-149. The bureau of TennCare shall develop and the commissioner of finance and administration shall submit to the federal centers for medicare and medicaid services a waiver or a waiver amendment that implements a plan which uses medical assistance funds, with federal financial participation, for matching premiums paid by small businesses for group health insurance policies offered by the state of Tennessee to cover eligible persons, including medically eligible persons.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring

it.